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FROM: ASD:ISA(SA/DSAA/TC)

SUBJ: ANGOLA AIRLIFT OPTIONS

REF: TELECON AID FDRC AND MR. NELSOE OSD/DSAA, 9 SEP 75

1. (C) THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS ARE UNDER CONSIDERATION TO SUSTAIN
THE CURRENT LEVEL OF AIRLIFT (2 DC-8 AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS PER DAY)
PROVIDED IN SUPPORT OF THE ANGOLIAN REFUGEE EVACUATION. ADDITIONAL
PLANNING INFORMATION CURRENTLY BEING OBTAINED ON WHICH TO FIRM UP
AS THE MOST FAVORABLE OPTION. THIS INTERIM REPLY PROVIDED FOR
CONSIDERATION PENDING ACCUMULATION OF MORE INFORMATION. ALL
ALLOCATIONS ASSUME ON LOAD OF PASSENGERS AT NOVA LISBOA AND ASSURED
OVER FLIGHT AND LANDING CLEARANCE.

A. OPTION A - CONTINUE TO OPERATE TWO CONTRACT AIRCRAFT THROUGH
AIR ROUTES CURRENTLY USED WITH REFUELING AT LUANDA BEYOND 14 SEP 75.
AIRCRAFTS WILL BE STAGED OUT OF ABIDJAN, IVORY COAST. THIS ASSUMP-
TION ASSUMES FUEL WILL BE AVAILABLE AT ABIDJAN AND LUANDA, ANGOLA.
THIS OPTION WOULD REQUIRE ASSURED FUEL RESUPPLY OF LUANDA AND ABIDJAN
OPTION B - OPERATE TWO MAC CONTRACT AIRCRAFT THROUGH KINSHASA,
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ZAIRE WITH REFUELING AND CREW STAGE AT KINSHASA. THIS OPTION WOULD
REQUIRE ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE TO PROVIDE FUEL TO KINSHASA BY SEA.
INDICATIONS ARE A COMMERCIAL RESUPPLY COULD BE MADE IN ABOUT TWO
WEEKS. THE CAPABILITY EXISTS TO MOVE FUEL INTO KINSHASA BY SEA.

OPTION C - OPERATE TWO MAC CONTRACT AIRCRAFT THOROUGH ACENSION AFTER 14 SEP 75 WITH REFUELING AND CREW STAGE ACENSION. THIS OPTION WOULD REQUIRE ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE TO PROVIDE FUEL TO ACENSION WHICH HAS CAPABILITY TO ACCEPT TANKERS. ACENSION CURRENTLY HAS APPROXIMATELY 34,000 BARRELS OF FUEL. EARLY DECISION TO RESUPPLY MUST BE MADE AS ANTICIPATE 7 TO GQR DAYS EARLIEST A DOD CONTROLLED TANKER COULD BE DIVERTED TO ACENSION. ADVANTAGE TO THIS OPTION IS ASSURED FUEL SUPPLY AT ACENSION, HOWEVER, WOULD ALSO REQUIRE FUEL AT LUANDA.

OPTION D - OPERATE TWO MAC COBTRACT AIRCRAFT THROUGH ROBERTS FIELD, LIBERIA WITH CREW STAGE AND REFUELING AT ROBERTS FIELD. DOD HAS FUEL SUPPLY UNDER CONTRACT, HOWEVER, MONTHLY QUANTITY UNDER CONTRACT IS NOT SUFFICIENT TO SUSTAIN AIRLIFT. ADDITIONAL FUEL COULD, THEREFORE, BE REQUIRED AS WOULD NECESSARY FLIGHT CLEARANCES.

2. (C) THE SELECTION OF OPTIONS IS DIFFICULT SINCE A FLUID SITUATION AS REGARDS FUEL IS APPAREST IN WEST AFRICA. THE OPTIMUM SOLUTION FOR FUEL MAY NOT BE THE OPTIMUM SOLUTION AS REGARDS ECONOMY AND MOVING THE LARGEST NUMBERS OF REFUGEES.

3. (U) REQUIREMENT EXISTS FOR STATE TO OBTAIN AN ASSURED FUEL SUPPLY AS WELL AS CONFIRMATION BF OVERFLIGHT/LANDING RIGHTS AND CREW ACCOMMODATIONS IN APPLICABLE COUNTRIES. WHEN SUPPORT, TO INCLUDE FUEL, IS ASSURED, OPTION B (THROUGH KINSHASA) IS PREFERRED. GDS 31 DEC 81. UNQUOTE SISCO

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